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1. U.S. PURPOSES AND ACTIONS IN VIETNAM GENERALLY RECEIVE UNDERSTANDING COVERAGE OF LOCAL MEDIA, INCLUDING SPORADIC STRONG ENDORSEMENT FROM CONSERVATIVE, PARTICULARLY PROVINCIAL PRESS, WITH OBVIOUS EXCEPTIONS COMMIE AND LEFT WING SOCIALIST OUTLETS. SIMILARLY, RADIO AND TV COVERAGE ON WHOLE PRESENTS BALANCED PICTURE OF U.S. GOALS ALTHOUGH OFTEN EMPHASIZING TRAGIC HUMAN SUFFERING RESULTING FROM WAR.

2. REGRETTABLY MOST SENSATIONAL AND OFFENSIVE COVERAGE AND INTERPRETATIONS VIETNAM OFTEN TRACEABLE TO U.S. WIRE SERVICES AND OTHER MEDIA, AND IT NEXT TO IMPOSSIBLE PREVENT LOCAL MEDIA FROM REPLAYING THESE.

3. HAVE LIMITED ASSETS IN MEDIA FIELD, AS WE ARE ESSENTIALLY WOLENS ORIENTED AGAINST REDTOP AREA AND FJPLEAD. WE DO HAVE:

A. GRCAMERA, WHO WILL ACCEPT OR PREPARE PER OUR SUGGESTION. THOUGHTFUL NEWS AND BACKGROUND ITEMS SUITABLE FOR HIS HIGHLY REPUTABLE, SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE PAPER;

B. [ ] ROBBIRD SPECIALIST, WHO HAS PLACED IN GROOM

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PAPER, BUT UNBEKNOWNST TO HIM, AND IN TWO MINOR INTELLECTUAL PUBLICATIONS, ITEMS DEALING WITH TURMOIL IN FJPLEAD, AND RECENTLY PUBLISHED BACKGROUND PIECE ON KOBIRD COUNTRIES' SUPPORT TO U.S. VIETNAM POSITION (SEE [ ] 4639);

C. [ ], ONE OF SEVERAL NEWS EDITORS AUSTRIAN TV, AND CONTRIBUTOR CONSERVATIVE YOUTH MAGAZINE. HAS LIMITED ABILITY ACCEPT ITEMS UNLESS ORIGIN READILY SOURCED;

D. DEVELOPMENTAL CONTACT WITH IDEN, TO DATE USED ONLY ONCE IN ATTACK ON LOCAL KGB.

4. POSSIBLE RESUME RELATIONSHIP WITH [ ], WHO, HOWEVER, CLOSE CONFIDENT OF [ ], AND WHOSE ABILITY GIVE PUBLIC SUPPORT TO U.S. POSITION OR INFLUENCE GOVERNMENT ACCORDINGLY CIRCUMSCRIBED BY AUSTRIAN NEUTRALITY WHICH SUFFICIENTLY FIRM ELEMENT AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT BEHAVIOR TO INHIBIT PUBLIC POSITION TAKING. HOWEVER, GOVERNMENT IS GENERALLY SYMPATHETIC AND SUPPORTIVE AIMS IN QUIET MANNER.

5. NOTE THAT LOCAL QKFLOWAGE HAS HIGH AND SEMI-CLANDESTINE CAPABILITY INTRODUCE NEWS ITEMS INTO LOCAL RADIO VIA OFFICIAL AGENCY AND HAS GENERALLY EXCELLENT PLACEMENT RECORD WITH THE

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6. RE PARA 3 B, BELIEVE MOST ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS PROPAGANDA AND STRAIGHT REPORTING ARE LINKAGE OF U.S. EFFORTS IN VIETNAM WITH SECURITY OF ENTIRE FREE WORLD, AND REPETITIVE EMPHASIS ON U.S. DESIRE FOR PEACEFUL TERMINATION VIETNAM WAR. BABBLE OF VOICES ON VIETNAM IS SO OVERWHELMING THAT RESTRAINT PLACED ON SUBORDINATE U.S. OFFICIALS SEEMS DESIRABLE, PARTICULARLY IF BALANCED BY PERIODIC, BUT NOT CONSTANT, STRAIGHTFORWARD FACTUAL ACCOUNT OF WHERE WE ARE, AND WHERE WE EXPECT TO BE, BY HIGHEST OFFICIALS U.S. GOVERNMENT.

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